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New Jersey Corn and Soybean Production Down From 2009

Corn for Grain: Production for 2010 was 8.09 million bushels, down 19 percent from 2009. There were 71,000 acres harvested for grain compared to 70,000 the previous year. The yield at 114 bushels per acre was down 29 bushels from 2009's record high. Corn for silage production was 124,000 tons, down 22 percent from the previous year. The yield averaged 15.5 tons per acre, down 2.0 tons from 2009. Acreage cut for silage was 8,000 acres, also down from 2009 by 1,000 acres.

Soybeans: Production decreased by 40 percent from 3.65 million bushels in 2009 to 2.21 million bushels in 2010. Yield is estimated at 24 bushels per acre, 18 bushels below last year's record-high. Acreage harvested was 92,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from 2009.

Hay: Alfalfa Hay production was 58,000 tons, down 12,000 tons from 2009. The yield was 2.90 tons per acre, up 0.1 tons from the previous year. Harvested acreage was 20,000, down 5,000 acres from 2009. Other Hay acreage of 85,000 remained unchanged while production of 145,000 tons was down by 10 percent from 2009. The yield was 1.70 tons per acre, down 0.2 tons from 2009.

Winter Wheat: Production in 2010 at 1.13 million bushels was 24 percent below the 1.48 million bushels produced in 2009. Wheat yields averaged 49 bushels per acre in 2010, 2 bushels below 2009's yield of 51 bushels per acre.

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U.S. Produces Large Corn and Soybean Crops

U.S. farmers produced the second-largest soybean and third-largest corn crops on record in 2010.

Corn production was 12.4 billion bushels, 5 percent below the previous record of 13.1 billion bushels set in 2009. Corn yield in 2010 is estimated at 152.8 bushels an acre, 11.9 bushels below last year's record. Harvested area, at 81.5 million acres, is the second highest since 1944, behind 2007's 86.5 million acres.

Soybean harvested acres reached a record-high of 76.6 million in 2010. The average yield per acre was 43.5 bushels, 0.5 bushels below last year's record yield. Production totaled to 3.33 billion bushels, slightly below the record production set in 2009.

Winter Wheat production totaled 1.49 billion bushels, 3 percent below the previous year. The U.S. yield was 46.8 bushels per acre, up 2.6 bushels from the previous year. Area harvested for grain was 31.7 million acres, was down 8 percent from the previous year.

Acreage, Yield, & Production of Corn, Hay, Soybeans, and Winter Wheat

Crop	Unit	Acres for Harvest		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
NEW JERSEY		Thousand Acres		Units		Thousand Units	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	70	71	143	114	10,010	8,094
Corn for Silage	Tons	9	8	17.5	15.5	158	124
Hay, All	Tons	110	105	2.11	1.93	232	203
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	25	20	2.80	2.90	70	58
Other Hay	Tons	85	85	1.90	1.70	162	145
Soybeans	Bu.	87	92	42	24	3,654	2,208
Winter Wheat	Bu.	29	23	51.0	49.0	1,479	1,127
UNITED STATES		Thousand Acres		Units		Million Units	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	79,490	81,446	164.7	152.8	13,092	12,447
Corn for Silage	Tons	5,605	5,567	19.3	19.3	108	107
Hay, All	Tons	59,755	59,862	2.47	2.43	148	146
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	21,247	19,956	3.35	3.40	71	68
Other Hay	Tons	38,528	39,906	1.99	1.95	77	78
Soybeans	Bu.	76,372	76,616	44.0	43.5	3,359	3,329
Winter Wheat	Bu.	34,510	31,749	44.2	46.8	1,525	1,485

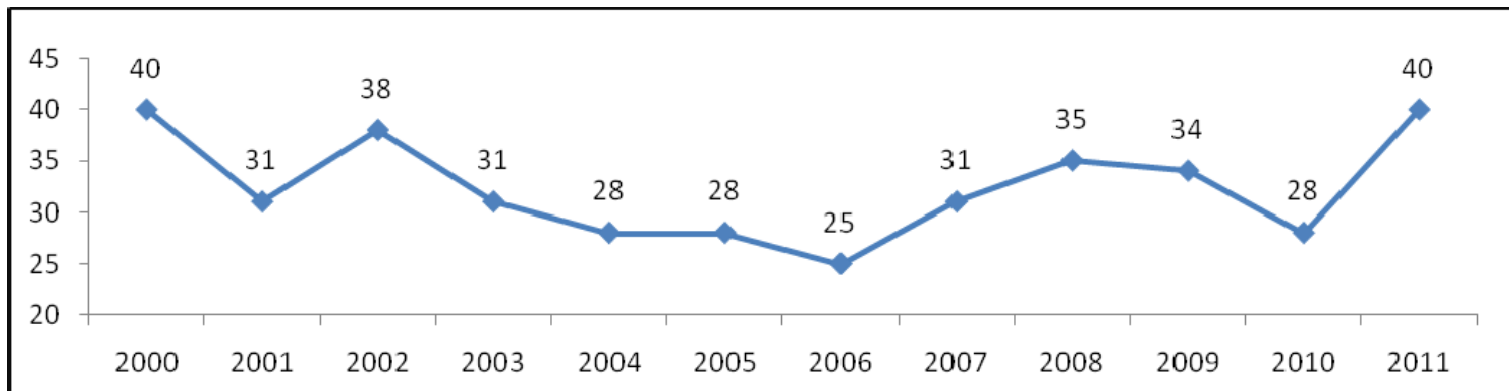
Winter Wheat Seedings Highest in 11 Years

New Jersey - Winter wheat seedings for New Jersey's 2011 crop are 40,000 acres, up 12,000 acres from the 28,000 acres seeded for the 2010 crop. This will be the most acreage seeded in 11 years dating back to when 40,000 acres were seeded for the 2000 crop. The harvest of field crops was on schedule allowing producers to timely prepare fields for seeding. Early October heavy rainfall helped replenish moisture for New Jersey's dry soils. Additional light rains during the fall helped young seedlings emerge.



United States - Winter wheat seeded area for 2011 is expected to total 41.0 million acres, up 10 percent from 2010. More acres were seeded due to the early row crop harvest and higher prices.

New Jersey Planted Acreage, Thousands of Acres, 2000-2011 Crop Years



Winter Wheat: Area Seeded by Selected States & United States, 2009-2011

State	Crop Year			2011 as a Percent of 2010
	2009	2010	2011	
	1,000 Acres			Percent
Delaware	70	50	70	140
Maryland	230	180	300	167
New Jersey	34	28	40	143
New York	115	110	120	109
Pennsylvania	190	165	180	109
United States	43,346	37,335	40,990	110

Hogs & Pigs: New Jersey and United States, 2010

New Jersey

New Jersey's hog and pig inventory was 8,000 head as of December 1, 2010, unchanged from the previous year.

Breeding inventory at 700 head was down 30 percent from last year. Market hog inventory was up 4 percent to 7,300 head.

The market hog inventories by weight group were: **Under 50 pounds:** 2,500 head; **50-119 pounds:** 2,200 head; **120-179 pounds:** 1,100 head; and **180 or more pounds:** 1,500 head.



United States - United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2010 was 64.3 million head. This was down 1 percent from December 1, 2009, and down 2 percent from September 1, 2010.

Breeding inventory, at 5.78 million head, was down 1 percent from last year, but up slightly from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 58.5 million head, was down 1 percent from last year, and down 2 percent from last quarter.

The September-November 2010 pig crop, at 28.2 million head, was down slightly from 2009. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.85 million head, down 2 percent from 2009. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 9.89 for the September-November 2010 period, compared to 9.70 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.70 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 10.00 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

Hogs & Pigs: Breeding, Market, & Total Inventory by Selected States & United States, 2009-2010

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	2009	2010		2009	2010		2009	2010	
		Number	% of 2009		Number	% of 2009		Number	% of 2009
	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	Percent			
Delaware	2.0	1.5	75	5.5	4.0	73	7.5	5.5	73
Maryland	4.0	3.0	75	26.0	23.0	88	30.0	26.0	87
New Jersey	1.0	0.7	70	7.0	7.3	104	8.0	8.0	100
New York	11.0	12.0	109	66.0	96.0	145	77.0	108.0	140
Pennsylvania	100	100	100	1,040	1,010	97	1,140	1,110	97
United States ¹	5,850	5,778	99	59,037	58,547	99	64,887	64,325	99

¹ May not add due to rounding.

Source: USDA - NASS: Quarterly Hogs & Pigs, December, 2010

Market Hogs & Pigs: Inventory Number by Weight, Selected States & United States, 2009-2010

State	Under 50 lbs.		50-119 lbs.		120-179 lbs.		180 lbs. and Over	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	1,000 Head							
Delaware	2.5	1.5	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.9
Maryland	7.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	7.0	5.0	6.0	6.0
New Jersey	2.5	2.5	2.0	2.2	1.0	1.1	1.5	1.5
New York	25.0	30.0	16.0	20.0	13.0	23.0	12.0	23.0
Pennsylvania	280	240	330	340	220	200	210	230
United States ¹	18,705	18,564	16,782	16,519	12,299	12,208	11,252	11,256

¹ Weight groups may not add to Market Hogs and Pigs due to rounding.

Source: USDA - NASS: Quarterly Hogs & Pigs, December 2010

December Farm Prices Received Index Up 1 Point

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in December, at 160 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 1 point (0.6 percent) from November. The Crop Index is up 2 points (1.1 percent), but the Livestock Index decreased 1 point (0.7 percent). Producers received higher prices for corn, soybeans, wheat, and cattle and lower prices for lettuce, milk, oranges, and onions. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of wheat, milk, oranges, and broilers offset decreased marketings of soybeans, corn, cattle, and grapes.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 25 points (19 percent) from December 2009. The Food Commodities Index, at 155, is unchanged from last month but increased 19 points (14 percent) from December 2009.

December Prices Paid Index Up 3 Points

The December Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 191 percent of the 1990-1992 average. The index is up 3 points (1.6 percent) from November and 13 points (7.3 percent) above December 2009. Prices are higher for complete feeds, feeder cattle, feed grains, and nitrogen.

Average Prices Received by Farmers: United States

Item	Entire Month		Preliminary
	Dec 2009	Nov 2010	Dec 2010
dollars			
Field Crops			
Corn, per Bushel	3.60	4.55	4.94
Hay, All, Baled, per Ton ¹	105.00	111.00	112.00
Alfalfa ¹	109.00	117.00	121.00
Other ¹	96.20	95.50	94.60
Soybeans, per Bushel	9.80	11.10	11.70
Winter Wheat, per Bushel	4.68	6.00	6.85
Fruit, Fresh			
Apples, per Lb ²	0.275	0.321	0.295
Peaches, per Ton ²	(s)	(s)	(s)
Vegetables, Fresh⁶			
Corn, Sweet, per Cwt	19.40	20.30	27.60
Lettuce, per Cwt	38.70	35.50	20.00
Tomatoes, per Cwt	65.00	35.00	31.80
Livestock and Livestock Products			
Beef Cattle, all, per Cwt	78.50	94.00	97.60
Steers and Heifers, per Cwt	83.80	101.00	104.00
Cows, per Cwt ³	43.50	51.70	54.20
Calves, per Cwt	105.00	124.00	128.00
Broilers, live, per Lb ⁴	0.420	0.470	0.460
Eggs, all, per Dozen ¹	1.050	1.130	1.080
Milk, all, per Cwt ⁵	16.50	17.90	16.80
Fat Test, All Milk per %	3.79	3.81	3.83

Source: USDA - NASS: Agricultural Prices, December 2010

- ¹ Mid-Month Price
- ² Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, MI, NY (apples only), and WA. Prices as sold for other states.
- ³ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.
- ⁴ Equivalent live weight price.
- ⁵ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.
- ⁶ Insufficient sales to establish a price.



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